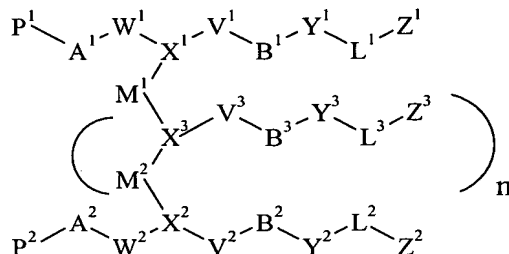


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A compound of formula (I):



(I)

wherein

P^1 and P^2 independently represent a polymer residue;

Z^1 , Z^2 and Z^3 independently represent the residue of a biologically active moiety;

X^1 , X^2 and X^3 independently represent CR^1 or N;

A^1 and A^2 independently represent -CONH-, -NHCO-, -OC(O)N(R^2)-, -N(R^2)C(O)O- or -NHCONH-;

B^1 , B^2 and B^3 independently represent -CONH- or -CO-;

V^1 , V^2 and V^3 independently represent a covalent bond or $-(CH_2)_v$;

W^1 and W^2 independently represent a covalent bond or $-(CH_2)_w$;

Y^1 , Y^2 and Y^3 independently represent $-(CH_2)_y$;

L^1 , L^2 and L^3 independently represent a spacer group;

M^1 and M^2 independently represent a covalent bond or $-(CH_2)_m$;

R^1 represents hydrogen or C_{1-4} alkyl;

R^2 represents hydrogen or C_{1-4} alkyl;

n is zero, 1 or 2;

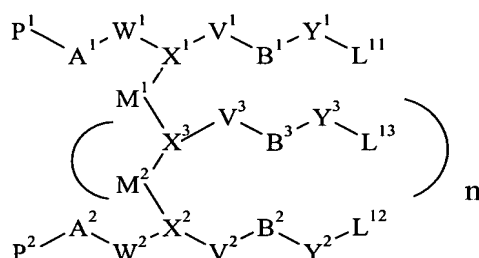
v is 1, 2, 3 or 4;

w is 1, 2, 3 or 4;

y is 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6; and

m is 1, 2 or 3.

2. (currently amended) A compound as claimed in claim 1 wherein Z^1 , Z^2 and Z^3 independently represent the residue of a whole antibody or the residue of a functionally active antibody fragment or derivative thereof.
3. (currently amended) A compound of formula (II):



(II)

wherein

L^{11} , L^{12} and L^{13} represent groups ~~capable of attaching that attach the residue residues~~ Z^1 , Z^2 and Z^3 , respectively, or ~~capable of being that are~~ converted into such groups that attach residues Z^1 , Z^2 and Z^3 , respectively; and

~~Z^1 , Z^2 , Z^3 and each of the other variables is as defined in claim 1~~

Z^1 , Z^2 and Z^3 independently represent the residue of a biologically active moiety;

P^1 and P^2 independently represent a polymer residue;

X^1 , X^2 and X^3 independently represent CR^1 or N;

A^1 and A^2 independently represent $-CONH-$, $-NHCO-$, $-OC(O)N(R^2)-$, $-N(R^2)C(O)O-$ or $-NHCONH-$;

B^1 , B^2 and B^3 independently represent $-CONH-$ or $-CO-$;

V^1 , V^2 and V^3 independently represent a covalent bond or $-(CH_2)_v-$;

W^1 and W^2 independently represent a covalent bond or $-(CH_2)_w-$;

Y^1 , Y^2 and Y^3 independently represent $-(CH_2)_y-$;

M^1 and M^2 independently represent a covalent bond or $-(CH_2)_m-$;

R^1 represents hydrogen or C_{1-4} alkyl;

R^2 represents hydrogen or C_{1-4} alkyl;

n is zero, 1 or 2;

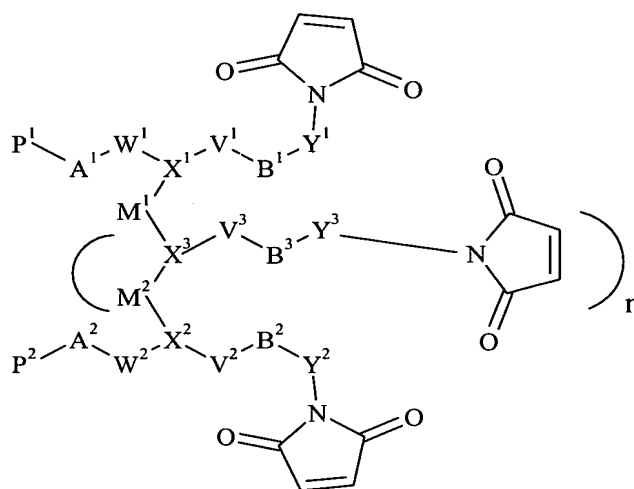
v is 1, 2, 3 or 4;

w is 1, 2, 3 or 4;

y is 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6; and

m is 1, 2 or 3.

4. (currently amended) A compound as claimed in claim 3 represented by formula (III):



(III)

~~wherein each of the variables is as defined in claim 1.~~

5. (currently amended) A compound as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein P¹ and P² independently represent a polyethylene glycol (PEG) residue.

6. (currently amended) A compound as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein R¹ is hydrogen.

7. (currently amended) A compound as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein n is zero.

8. (currently amended) A compound ~~of formula (I) as defined in~~ as claimed in claim 1
~~as herein specifically disclosed in Example 4, 5 or 6 that is~~

DiFab'-conjugated N,N'-bis-[4-maleimidylbutyl]-2,3-bis-(3-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-propionylamino)-succinamide;

DiFab'-conjugated 3-maleimidyl-N-(2-{[3-maleimidyl-propionyl]-[(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-methyl]-amino}-ethyl)-N-[(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-methyl]-propionamide; or

DiFab'-conjugated 3-maleimidyl-N-(2-{[3-(maleimidyl)-propionyl]-[2-(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amino}-ethyl)-N-[2-(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-propionamide.

9. (currently amended) A compound ~~of formula (III) as defined in~~ as claimed in claim 4
~~as herein specifically disclosed in Example 1, 2 or 3 that is~~

N,N'-Bis-[4-maleimidylbutyl]-2,3-bis-(3-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-propionylamino)-succinamide;

3-Maleimidyl-N-(2-{[3-maleimidyl-propionyl]-[(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-methyl]-amino}-ethyl)-N-[(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-methyl]-propionamide; or

3-Maleimidyl-N-(2-{[3-(maleimidyl)-propionyl]-[2-(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amino}-ethyl)-N-[2-(2-(methoxy-polyethoxy)-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-propionamide.

10. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound ~~of formula (I) as defined~~ as claimed in claim 1 in association with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, excipients or diluents.